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I.C.P.O. Bulletin (19 - 26 April 2013)
"Islands, Castles & Portable Operations"
Listing is by calendar date (day/month/year)
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19/04/2013: Wim, PA0WRS, plans to be active from Ameland Island (EU-038, WLOTA 1059) as homecall/p from 19-26th April, 2013. QRV on the HF bands, all modes, propagation permitting. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

19/04/2013: The Florida Chapter of NAQCC (naqcc.info/) will be operating homecall/p from Spruce Creek Park, Port Orange, Volusia county, Florida, on Friday 19 April from 1300z - 1700z, possibly later. Please listen for Art WB4MNK (#5274) around 14.060 MHz; Steve WB4OMM (#5913) around 7.040 MHz; and Don K3RLL (#1905) around 18.075 MHz. Another special edition, limited-printing highly coveted, commemorative QSL could be yours for a successful two-way QRP contact with the group of Park Adventurers! [NAQCC]

20/04/2013: Bodo, DF8DX, will be active from Tanzania as 5H1DX between April 20-28th, 2013. Activity will be on the HF bands and EME. QRV from Dar Es Salaam on 20 April as 5H1DX/3, mainly CW. Included in this trip will be activity from several IOTAs, including Pemba island (AF-063, WLOTA 1437), Zanzibar (AF-032, WLOTA 1080) and Bongoyo Island (AF-075 as 5H1DX/3). QSL via DF8DX. [DX World]

20/04/2013: Toku, JA6TNY, will be active as JA6TNY/0 from Awa Island (AS-117, WLOTA 0477), Niigata prefecture, from around 7 UTC on 20 April until around 3 UTC on the 21st. He will operate CW and SSB on 160-10 metres, with planned main activity on 20m. QSL via home call. [425 DX News]

20/04/2013: Team VE3ZF will be active from Twilight Isle (CIsA ON-018, WW Loc. EN85RT), Manitoulin Island district, on 20th and 21st April 2013 in the Ontario QSO Party. The team will consist of Pat VE3HZQ, Ron VE3NDI and Igor VE3ZF. QSL via VE3ZF, direct or by the bureau. Rules for the Ontario QSO Party contest are posted at: cco.ve3xd.com/oqp/rules.htm [VE3ZF]

21/04/2013: Look for Pista 9A/HA5AUC, Ed 9A/HA5BWW and Karl 9A/HA7PC to be active from Rab Island (EU-136, ACIA IC-168, CIA-38, IOCA CI-096, MIA MC-330, WLOTA 2198) on 21-27 April. They will operate mainly CW on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [425 DX News]

21/04/2013: Tony, IZ2ESV, reports that four seasoned operators will be active from La Maddalena Archipelago (EU-041, IIA OT-008, MIA MIS-013, WLOTA 1632, WWFF IFF-004), between 21-24 April 2013 with the callsign IM0MA. The ops are Tony IZ2ESV, Bruno IW3HXR, Mauro IK3VUU and Luciano I3CLZ. This is intended as a spring-break expedition, aimed firstly to relax and have fun on the air. QRV in their spare time on 80-10m CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL manager is Antonello IK2DUW. [DX World]

21/04/2013: Ismael XE1AY, Benjamin XE1AU, Armando XE1CIC and Enrique XE2AA will be active from the island of Venados (NA-171, WW Loc. DL63SF), Sinaloa State, Mexico, as XF2E between 21-26 April 2013. QRV on 160-6m. QSL via IT9EJW. Website: http://www.it9ejw.it/xf2e/ [DX World]

22/04/2013: Steve, G0SGB, plans to be active as 5B/G0SGB/p from the island of Cyprus (AS-004, MIA MCI-002, WLOTA 0051) and as ZC4BS from UK Souvereign Bases

Cyprus (AS-004, MIA MCI-002, WLOTA 0892) from 22-28 April 2013. QRV on all HF bands, mainly SSB and CW. QSL both callsigns via G0SGB, direct only with SAE. NO eQSL! [rsgbiota.org]

22/04/2013: Harry, JG7PSJ will be active again as JD1BMH from Chichi-jima (AS-031, JCG #10007, WLOTA 2269), Ogasawara, from 22 April to 4 May, 2013. He will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 40-10 metres, plus 80m if possible. QSL via JD1BMH (JARL bureau) or JG7PSJ (direct). Logsearch and other information can be found at: jd1bmh.zxq.net/ [425 DX News]

22/04/2013: Kilmarnock and Loudoun ARC members Graham MM0GHM, Gordon MM0GOR, Allan 2M0VNW, Arthur MM0DHQ, Jason GM7VSB, Peter GM7AAJ, Paul GM0PJD and Allan GM3OZB will be active as MM0KLR from the Isle of Canna (IOSA NH01, SCOTIA DI21), Inner Hebrides (EU-008) from 22-27 April 2013. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. QSL via the RSGB bureau to MM0KLR. Direct requests to MM0GHM, with SASE/SAE + sufficient postage. [rsgbiota.org]

23/04/2013: Pai, VU2PAI and Krish, W4VKU will be active from Bodu Finolhu Island (Fun Island), South Male Atoll (WLOTA 3911, WW Loc. MJ63RU) in the Rep. of Maldives (AS-013) between 23-30 April, 2013. Operating as 8Q7KP, plans are for 2 stations (Elecraft K3/Acom 1000 and TS480Sat/Tentec Hercules II), with two Butternut HF9V and a 2 element SteppIR for higher bands. They plan to setup OQRS and also upload logs to LoTW and eQSL. Website: www.qrz.com/db/8Q7KP [DX World]

25/04/2013: Heinz, VA7AQ/p and Mike, VE7ACN/p will be active from Gambier Island (NA-091, CIsA BC031) between 25-29 April 2013. QRV on all HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [DX World]

26/04/2013: Luc, F5RAV, will be active again as 6V7T from Le Calao Resort, Thies region, Senegal, from 26 April to 5 May 2013. He will operate SSB and PSK and will participate in the Helvetia Contest (27-28 April). QSL via home call, direct only. [425 DX News]

26/04/2013: Joe, K5KUA, will once again be active from Galveston Island (NA-143, USi TX001S), Galveston county, Texas, between 26-28 April 2013. QRV mainly 40-10 metre CW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. Other tentative dates for Joe to be active from Galveston Island are: 21-23 June, 26-29 July and 13-15 September 2013. Online log is hosted by ClubLog. [rsgbiota.org]

26/04/2013: John YB5NOF, Anton YB5QZ and 3 other operators plan to be active as YE8B between 26th April and 2nd May 2013 from Banggai Island (OC-208). QRV on 80-10 metre CW, SSB and RTTY, with 3el yagi. Further information is forthcoming. [IOTA-chasers]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

27/04/2013: Jo, OE4VIE, plans to activate the Nature Park Goricko (WWFF S5FF-003) on 27 April 2013 using the callsign S5/OE4VIE. As always in QRP 2-3W on 20/30/40 metre CW only. QSL via home call, bureau or direct. [OE4VIE]

27/04/2013: Paul, KB4GYT, will be active as V25PM from Falmouth Harbor, island of Antigua (NA-100, WLOTA 1118), between 27 April and 4 May 2013. This will be a holiday operation so operation will be sporadic. The main mode will be CW but he plans on operating some SSB and PSK31. Paul will beusing his Elecraft KX3 at 10 watts or less with various wire antennas strung above the pool. Please QSL direct only to KB4GYT (QRZ.com). Website: www.qrz.com/db/V25PM [DX World]

05/05/2013: The Ballymena A.R.C. will be active at the annual Shanes Castle May Day Steam Rally, Shanes Castle Estate (CASHOTA GI-026, WCA GI-00032, WAB: J18,

WW Loc. IO64UR), Antrim, Co. Antrim, Northern Ireland (EU-115, WLOTA 1439). They will be QRV on the 5th and 6th of May 2013 using the callsign GN4KPT on various modes and bands. QSL via MI0RYL, bureau or direct. Further info can be found at: http://gi3fff.synthasite.com/ [CASHOTA UK]

10/05/2013: Ronny, OT4R/ON4ARV, plans a holiday style operation as HI7/OT4R from Punta Cana, Dominican Republic (NA-096, WLOTA 2974, WW Loc. FK58TN) between 10 May and 1 June 2013. QRV all days from 2000 UTC - 2200 UTC on 14.266, 21.226 and 28.450 MHz, SSB and PSK modes. Equipment: FT-817 with dipole for 20/15/10m. QSL via e-QSL to HI7/OT4R. Further information and updates on his website at: www.ot4r.net/ [NG3K]

11/05/2013: Cuban (NA-015, WLOTA 0032) special station T42T will be active in the 47th A. Volta RTTY Contest on 11 and 12 of May 2013. Operators include Lazaro CO2WL, Gustavo CO2NO and Rene CO2RVA. QSL via Gab, HA3JB. [HA3JB]

15/05/2013: Tony, RT9T, will once again be active from the island of Cyprus (AS-004, MIA MCI-002, WLOTA 0051) as 5B4ALB from 15-28 May 2013. QRV on all HF bands and modes, including an entry in the CQWW WPX CW Contest (25-26 May) using a special callsign to be announced later. QSL via his home call, direct only (Anton (Tony) Navnychko, P.O. Box 995, Orenburg 460052, Russia) [NG3K]

15/05/2013: Jesse, KB2OBQ will once again be active from Panjwai, Kandahar Province, Afghanistan, beginning 15 May 2013 until August 2014. Operating as T6JP he will be QRV on 160-10m SSB and CW (100w). Logs uploaded daily (if possible) to LoTW, eQSL, QRZ. Website: www.qrz.com/db/T6JP [DX World]

20/05/2013: Bill Cross, G0ELZ, Chairman of the Marine Museum Society, Wallasey, UK, and David Oakden G3UFO, have announced special event callsigns GB70BOA & GB70WA. These will be activated from Fort Perch Rock at the Mersey entrance for GB70BOA (BARLS A 4946X, ARLHS ENG-084, TWLHD WLH G-019, WAB SJ39, WLOTA 1841, WW Loc. IO83LK) and the Leasowe Lighthouse for GB70WA (BARLS A 5109X, ARLHS ENG-063, WAB SJ29, WLOTA 1841, WW Loc. IO83KJ) between 20th and 27th May inclusive. Activity will take place on all band 80M to 10M and VHF/UHF 144 and 432 MHz all modes. This event is especially important to Liverpool and other Merseyside hams because the battle was commanded form Western Approaches command, now a premiere WW II museum in Liverpool. Hosted by the Marine Radio Museum Society (Wallasey) resident callsign GB4FPR, operators from Wirral & District Amateur Radio Club (WADARC), Chester And District Amateur Radio Society (CADARS) and a contest contingent from the Tall Trees Group (G5D) are hoping to make over 2800 contacts during this period. This is to commemorate the 70th Anniversary of the Battle of The Atlantic in which over 2800 allied ships were lost. GB70BOA and GB70WA are part of the official recognition of this event. A special QSL card is being produced in commemoration. Details via QRZ.com as well as www.clanlinereunion.co.uk/BA70-page10.html. [Pete's-DX-Newsdesk]

23/05/2013: Laci, HA0HW, will operate as SW8WW (ex. J48HW) from Thassos Island (EU-174, GIOTA NAS-037, MIA MG-124, WLOTA 4186, WW Loc. KN20HS), Greece from 23 May to 5 June 2013. He will take part in the CQWW WPX CW Contest (25-26 May) in the Single-Op/All-Band category. Before and after the contest he will operate on all HF + 6m bands, on CW, SSB, RTTY modes. QSL via HA0HW, via HA bureau or direct. [HA0HW]

01/06/2013: The Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club (BVARC) will be participating in the Museum Ships Weekend event on 1-3 June 2013 from Pelican Island (NA-143, USi TX008S) near Galveston, Galveston county, Texas. KK5W, the BVARC club callsign will be used. Activity will take place from Seawolf Park, at the easternmost tip of Pelican Island, and will include the activation of both the

submarine USS Cavalla (SS-244) and the destroyer escort USS Stewart (DE-238). Operators will include Ron, K5HM and Matt, K5NGU. QSL with SASE to KK5W, Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club, PO BOX 2997, Sugar Land, TX 77487-2997. Website: www.bvarc.org/ [rsgbiota.org]

28/06/2013: Wim, ON6DX, plans to be active holiday style from the island of Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA 0942, Grid Loc. FK52) as PJ2/ON6DX between 28 June and 7 July 2013. Plans are to be QRV on 40-6m, with focus on 6 metre SSB/CW/RTTY activity (keep in touch with on4kst chat) and looking for JA/Asia on 15, 12 and 10 metre RTTY, SSB and CW. Equipment: Icom IC-7000, 6-band Broadband hexbeam, 5 element Yagi 50Mhz, Expert 1K-FA and MicroHAM Micro-Keyer RTTY-CW. QSL via home call, bureau or direct. Log will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL. Further info on his website at: dxpedition.be/PJ2-ON6DX.html [DX World]

26/07/2013: A team consisting Renato PY8WW, Ewerton PY8AA, Fernando PU8WZT, Ronaldo PS8RV, Pedro PR8ZX and Gabriel PU8RGV plan to be active as PX8Z from Cotijuba Island (SA-060, DIB PA-14, WLOTA 2855), Para State, Brazil, between 26-28 July 2013. Activity coincides with the RSGB IOTA contest weekend. QSL via PY8WW. [DX World]

27/07/2013: Fabio, PP5BZ, will to be active as PQ5M from Sao Francisco Island (SA-027, DIB SC-02), Santa Catarina State, Brazil, for the RSGB IOTA Contest (27-28 July). Plans are for a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. Please no eQSL. [NG3K]

04/08/2013: Look for Eric, W4OTN, to be active holiday style as homecall/p from Hatteras [aka Pea] Island (NA-067, USi NC005S, WLOTA 3913) Dare county, North Carolina, from 4-10 August 2013. Plans are to be QRV on the higher HF bands (10m through 17m or 20m). QSL via home call, bureau or direct. [rsgbiota.org]

13/08/2013: RSGB centennial callsign GW100RSGB returns once again to Wales (EU-005, WLOTA 0453) between 13 August and 9 September 2013. QRV on all bands and modes. QSL info can be found at: www.rsgb.org/ [RSGB]

21/08/2013: Look for Rich, KE1B and Ana, W6NN to be active as 9H3MMM and 9H3NN, respectively, from the island of Gozo (EU-023, MIA MM-004, WLOTA 0046) from 21-16 August 2013. Operation will be holiday style on 40-10m (including WARC), CW/SSB/RTTY, using 100W and Buddipole antenna system. All logs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL after the DXpedition (late August 2013). Online log search for both calls will be hosted by Clublog. Website: www.qrz.com/db/9H3MMM [NG3K]

05/11/2013: The RSGB centenary celebrations return to Scotland (EU-005, WLOTA 1234) using the callsign GM100RSGB between 5 November until 2 December 2013. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL info can be found at: www.rsgb.org/ [RSGB]

03/12/2013: The RSGB centenary celebrations will finish off the year by airing the special callsign GI100RSGB from Northern Ireland (EU-115, WLOTA 1439). Activity will be on all bands and modes from 3-31 December 2013. QSL info can be found at: www.rsgb.org/ [RSGB]

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SPECIAL EVENTS -

19/04/2013: The Amateur Radio Section of ORF (the Austrian Broadcasting Corporation) and the Documentary Archives Radio Communications/QSL Collection will operate special event station OE13M on 19-21 April 2013. This is an official "International Marconi Day" station and contacts made on 20th April will count for the IMD Award. QSL via OE1WHC. [425 DX News]

19/04/2013: Bob, PA5V, will be active as PA6IMD on 19-22 April 2013 for the International Marconi Day. PA6IMD has been used since 1995 by hams of the Gouda & District Section of the VERON (www.veron.nl/) during the International Marconi Day to commemorate the birthday of Giugliemo Marconi (25 April 1874) the all time pioneer of radio. Please QSL via VERON bureau, direct or via E-QSL. [425 DX News]

20/04/2013: The Andover Radio Amateur Club (G0ARC) are operating again this year as GB8IMD at Netheravon Camp on Salisbury Plain in Wiltshire, England (EU-005, WLOTA 1841, WW Loc. IO91CF), [courtesy of the Army] on 20th April 2013. This being the 26th International Marconi Day to celebrate the birth of Guglielmo Marconi in 1874. They will be operating the following frequencies throughout the night: 2M phone, 20, 40 and 80 metres on both CW and phone. QSL via EQSL only. [ARAC]

20/04/2013: TM114M will be active during the International Marconi Day's for the 114th anniversary of the first wireless radio link between Wimereux, France, and South Foreland, England, on 27 March 1899. QSL via bureau F5JYD : only received QSL's will be confirmed via bureau or direct. Website: www.qrz.com/db/TM114M [F5JYD]

20/04/2013: The Guernsey ARC will activate the special RSGB Centenary callsign GU100RSGB on 20-12 April 2013. Look for them to be QRV from St Andrew's, isle of Guernsey (EU-114, WLOTA 0013) on all HF bands, plus 6m-70cm and the satellites. Modes will be SSB, RTTY, PSK, WSJT and SSTV. QSL via the information at: www.rsgb.org/ [RSGB]

20/04/2013: The Hurdy Gurdy Museum of Vintage Radio will be celebrating International Marconi Day, and the Howth Martello tower will be open on Saturday 20th April 2013 from 11 am to 4 pm at least, and probably longer. The call sign will be EI0MAR. The Howth Martello tower was the site for an experimental Marconi Station in 1905. The museum is located in the Martello Tower, Howth Harbour, Fingal, County Dublin, Ireland (EU-115, WLOTA 2484, WW Loc. IO63XJ). QSL via the information at QRZ.com under EI0MAR. [Southgate ARC News]

20/04/2013: From 20 April until 31 May 2013 look for special event callsign 8J4SIP to be QRV on all bands and modes to commemorate the opening of Okayama prefecture Lifelong Learning Center "Scipia," Museum of Human and Science's Future. Okayama prefecture is located in the Chugoku region on the island of Honshu (AS-007, WLOTA 2376). QSL via the JARL bureau. [JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

20/04/2013: The TC Special Wireless Activity Team will be active as TC57A between 20-25 April 2013 for the Scouts Camp in Memory of Martyrs, Canakkale. All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. Website: www.tcswat.org/ [TCSWAT]

20/04/2013: It's International Marconi day Saturday 20th April 2013 and for the last few years the Telford & District Amateur Radio Society (G3ZME, FISTS #15554, www.tdars.org.uk/) has put on a special event station from a field adjacent to the Marconi Receiving site at Tywyn (WAB SH50, WW Loc. IO72XN), county Gwynedd, in Mid Wales (EU-005, WLOTA 0453) mainly voice with a few CQ QSO's when they get a chance. This year is the centenary of the old Marconi receiving station site and the club has the special call GB100TMD which is going to be used for one day only. Paul, M0PNN, has persuaded a few CW ops in the club to run a CW station only for the event concentrating on 160M, 80m, 40M. The range of CW skills is from novice to top class. QSL via bureau. Direct QSL is via M0PNN. Website: www.qrz.com/db/GB100TMD [M0PNN]

20/04/2013: Martyn, G3UKV, has received permission to use the special call GB8MD (FISTS #15554) on 472 kHz from Tywyn (WAB SH50, WW Loc. IO72XN), county

Gwynedd, Wales (EU-005, WLOTA 0453), during IMD quite surprised to get such quick permission, as the NoV usually only covers the "conventional" amateur bands. The antenna for this band will be a LW fed against ground or 200M kite antenna and Martyn hopes to be on the air all day. QSL via bureau. [M0PNN]

22/04/2013: From 22 April until 11 August 2013 special event station 8J88RL will be active on all HF bands and modes to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the JARL 8 Branches in Hokkaido prefecture, island of Hokkaido (AS-078, WLOTA 2967), Japan. QSL via the bureau. [JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

26/04/2013: To celebrate QRP Day the following special callsigns will be QRV from different areas of Japan between 26 April and 30 June 2013 - 8J1VLP, 8J4VLP, 8J6VLP, 8J8VLP and 8J9VLP. QSLs are ok via the bureau. [JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

U.S.A. Special Events can be found at: www.arrl.org/special-event-stations

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LIGHTHOUSE CALENDAR -

19/04-26/04 PA0WRS/P: Ameland Island WLOTA:1059 QSL H/c (d/B)
20/04-28/04 5H1DX/P: Pemba Island WLOTA:1437 QSL DF8DX (d/B)
20/04-31/05 8J4SIP: Honshu WLOTA:2376 QSL JARL Buro
20/04 EI0MAR: Ireland (Eire) WLOTA:2484 QSL QRZ.com
20/04 GB100TMD: Wales (main island) WLOTA:0453 QSL Buro/M0PNN (d)
20/04 GB8IMD: England (main island) WLOTA:1841 QSL eQSL only
20/04 GB8MD: Wales (main island) WLOTA:0453 QSL Buro/M0PNN (d)
20/04-21/04 GU100RSGB: Guernsey Island (main) WLOTA:0013 QSL OQRS
20/04-21/04 JA6TNY/0: Awa Shima WLOTA:0477 QSL H/c (d/B)
21/04-27/04 9A/HA5AUC: Rab Island WLOTA:2198 QSL H/c (d/B)
21/04-27/04 9A/HA5BWW: Rab Island WLOTA:2198 QSL H/c (d/B)
21/04-27/04 9A/HA7PC: Rab Island WLOTA:2198 QSL H/c (d/B)
21/04-24/04 IM0MA: Isola La Maddalena WLOTA:1632 QSL IK2DUW (d/B)
22/04-28/04 5B/G0SGB/P: Cyprus Island WLOTA:0051 QSL H/c (d)
22/04-11/08 8J88RL: Hokkaido (main island) WLOTA:2967 QSL JARL Buro
22/04-04/05 JD1BMH: Chichi Shima WLOTA:2269 QSL JARL Buro
22/04-28/04 ZC4BS: Cyprus (UK Souvereign Bases) WLOTA:0892 QSL G0SGB (d)
23/04-30/04 8Q7KP: Male Atoll WLOTA:3911 QSL OQRS at QRZ.com

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6 METRES & UP -

19/04 9G5EME: Ghana Grid:IJ95GB 1296.090 MHz Moonbounce QSL PA3CEE (d)
20/04-21/04 CQMM DX Contest includes 6m & Up 20 1200z-21 2359z
20/04-21/04 North Dakota QSO Party 6m-2m classes 20 1800z-21 1800z
20/04-21/04 Ontario QSO Party 6m & Up 20 1800z-21 0500z; 21 1200z-1800z
20/04-21/04 South Dakota QSO Party 6m-2m classes 20 1800z-21 1800z
21/04 ARRL SSB Rookie Roundup 6m class 1800z-2359z
21/04 9G5EME: Ghana Grid:IJ95GB 432.090 MHz Moonbounce QSL PA3CEE (d)
21/04-26/04 XF2E: Venados Island NA-171 Grid:DL63SF 6m activity QSL IT9EJW (d)
23/04 LY 2.4GHz & Up Activity Contest CW/SSB/FM 1700z-2059z
23/04 NRAU Microwave Activity Contest SO/MO/Open 1700z-2100z
23/04 The 50MHz Open Cumulative SO/MO/LP/MP/HP 23 1700z-2100z
23/04 RSGB 50MHz UKAC SO Fixed/Open 1900z-2130z
23/04 RSGB SHF UKAC SO Fixed/Open 13cms, 9cms, 6cms, 3cms 1900z-2130z
24/04 SKCC Straight Key Sprint CW/HP/LP/QRP 6m class 24 0000z-0200z
24/04 Spring VHF/UHF Sprints 432MHz SO/Fixed/Rover 1900-2300 Your Local Time

Contest Calendar: www.qsl.net/va3rj/con_apr.html

GOT6??? - Six Meter Information by Andy 'NEON' Sargent N8OFS at:
http://noars.net/got6/GOT6.txt (Updated: 17 April 2013)

Information about current VHF activities can be found on the VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: www.MMMonVHF.de/

SMIRK: www.smirk.org/
SOTA (Summits On The Air) Watch Alerts at: www.sotawatch.org/
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QSL INFO -

15-04-13 1:31:28 PM
H44KW QSLs
Today, I have mailed replies to all of the direct OQRS QSL requests received. I will now start working on the direct snail mail requests and expect these to be in the mail within the next two weeks or so.
73
Phil Whitchurch
G3SWH and AD5YS

QSLs via Bureau: 5Z4HW, CP8/DF7NX, CT3/DF8AA, EA8/DF8AA, I2VRN, J6/DL7AFS, J79ZG, JW/LZ2HM, VU3SIG and Z38Z.

QSLs via Direct: 3D2OU (N7OU), 3D2RO (N7OU), 5M2TT (OQRS/I2YSB), 5V7TT (OQRS/I2YSB), 7Z7AB (cba), 9U4U (OQRS), A5A (JA1TRC), A61ZX (IZ8CLM), E51E (EB7DX), HI3EPR (ON4IQ), HK0/F6BFH (H/c), I2VRN (cba), SV5BYR (cba), T46RRC (OQRS), T47RRC (OQRS), T48RRC (OQRS), TJ3AY (F5LGE), V63UG (K7ZZ), V73TS (JF1CCH), XT2TT (OQRS/I2YSB) and XW0ZJZ (E21EIC).

QSLs via LoTW: CU2CE, EA8URL and TR8CA.
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LINKS -
CIsA (Canadian Islands Award Program) at: www.qsl.net/ve3tpz/cisa/
IOTA (Islands On The Air) at: www.rsgbiota.org/
USi (U.S. Islands Award Program) at: www.usislands.org/
VEFF - Canada Flora & Fauna at: www.qsl.net/va3rj/
VEFF Yahoo! Group at: groups.yahoo.com/group/VEFF/
WCA (World Castles on the Air) at: www.wcagroup.org/ENG/wcag.html
WWFF (World-Wide Flora & Fauna) at: www.wwff.co/
WLOTA (World Lighthouses On The Air at: www.wlota.com/
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BITS & PIECES -

* Ian, 2E0EDX/p, will be active on 18th May 2013 for the CASHOTA weekend from Mile Fortlet 21 (CASHOTA G-303, WAB NY04, WW Loc. IO84GI), Cumbria, England (EU-005, WLOTA 1841). QSL via home call, bureau or direct. [CASHOTA UK]

* During the annual CASHOTA weekend on 18th May 2013 look for Bobby, MI0RYL/p, to be active from O'Connors Castle (CASHOTA GI-029, WAB J47, WW Loc. IO64RM), Co. Armagh, Northern Ireland (EU-115, WLOTA 1439). QRV on 40-10 metre SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [CASHOTA UK]

* A non-stop castle activity for the Belgium Castle Award is planned on Saturday 18 May 12:00 UTC till Monday 20 May 14:00 UTC 2013. Members of UBA section ODE will activate Castle De Ghellinck (BCA OV-032, WCA ON-00364) on all HF bands SSB and CW, also on 2m FM, using the call OT7G/p. The castle located in Elsegem (WW Loc. JO10ST), Oost Vlaanderen province, goes back to the 16th century and became the property of the family De Ghellinck around 1718. Although the castle was surrounded with water, it was not really fortified. As so many castles, it was pillaged during the French revolution. In the 19th century there have been many

structural alterations. During both World Wars there was a lot of damage. After the Second World War the castle wasn't used any more and in 1973 the whole building burned down. The community of Wortegem Petegem obtained the castle and the park. The remaining buildings are being restored, but financial problems slow down the project. QSL manager ON5MA via the bureau. [UBA HF News]

* Bobby MI0RYL/p, will be active on 25th May 2013 for the CASHOTA weekend from Kinbane Castle (CASHOTA GI-012), Northern Ireland (EU-115, WLOTA 1439). QSL via home call, bureau or direct. [CASHOTA UK]
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73 and Good DX!
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